

To the Farnborough Rural District Council.

GENTLEMEN.

I beg to submit my Report on the Health of the District and its Sanitary condition for the year 1909. There were three cases of Scarlatina reported during the year, one at Ratley, and one, an imported case, at Radway, leading to another in the same house, the child's mother ; the cases were isolated in the usual way and no further infection took place. ❀

The total number of deaths during the year was 18, and if you refer to the tables sent herewith you will see that the majority, 14, took place at over 65 years. This gives a deathrate on the population, according to the last census, of 11·68 ; there was one death under 1 year, giving a deathrate per 1,000 births of 55·5.

The births during the year numbered 18, 14 boys and 4 girls, giving a birthrate of 11·68. I have had no cases of tuberculosis notified to me. There was an outbreak of measles at Shotteswell, necessitating the school being closed for a short period. I have from time to time visited the villages in the District and am able to report that the District is in a satisfactory condition. The Bakehouses, Slaughterhouses, Dairies, Workshops and Workplaces, Drainage, Sewage disposal, which is chiefly of the conservancy system, have been inspected. There are no Factories in the District, which is made up of Rural Parishes. The Water Supply has been satisfactory throughout the year ; in 2 of the villages it is brought from a distance, in the other 4 it is obtained from springs. There is no Isolation Hospital in the District, and patients have to be treated at their own homes.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

A. TISDALL JOHNS.

Banbury,

February 25th, 1910.

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